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in future will lie in the same direction.—The following extract from the *Christian Union*—Henry Ward Beecher's paper—presents the condition of the South under Radical domination, pointedly and pertinently, with more sober truth and hard common sense than usually comes from the organ of one whom Southern people consider a fanatic, and with far more statesmanship than Grant and his Cabinet and Morton and his adherents have ever displayed either in administration or in legislation. Beecher says:

"A proud and high-spirited population have seen their places of trust and honor filled by foreign adventurers and uneducated freedmen. The old political leaders, whom the people had confidence, and whom alone had experience in the conduct of affairs, have been excluded from office by Congress. The course of politics has tended to deepen the antagonism between the former masters and the blacks and to still further alienate the former from the national authority. This is a gloomy picture. One feature remains to be added. Into this weakened and distracted community there has been no infusion of new, healthy blood. It was hoped that immigration would renovate the South. But there has been no immigration, or very little, if any, desirability, they may fight. Their fate is fixed. Inevitable defeat awaits them."

But we care not with how much zeal, or with what desperation, they may fight. Their fate is fixed. Inevitable defeat awaits them August next, if we make a proper use of our vantage ground we occupy.

The people will not hesitate a moment in choosing between the Conservative and Radical candidates when they have been shown how much the Conservative party has accomplished in so short a time in the way of retrenchment, reform and economy, and how much it has done to bring the government back to its legal constitutional capacities; that it seeks in the quickest way by necessary changes in the State constitution to complete this good work and to reduce thereby taxation to its lowest possible rates; that the Radical party not only is opposed to all these things so necessary to the peace and prosperity of the state, but has, in the most solemn manner, declared their warmest affection for the traitor and usurper Holden personally, and their most cordial and hearty endorsement of his lawless attempt to overthrow the Constitution of the State, to rule by the bayonet and to have citizens tried by courts martial and shot! All that is needed is a plain, truthful statement of the facts to induce the people of North Carolina to consign to merited infamy Radicalism and its upholders in this State. The facts are abundant, and it is our purpose to do our full part in laying them before the people. As the best means to end we have determined to offer the JOURNAL at such reduced rates as to reach every home during one during the present State, and coming Presidential campaign.

We invite the attention of Executive Committees of Counties and Townships to this, as the surest and cheapest means of furnishing information to their neighbors: CAMPAIGN TERMS OF THE JOURNAL.

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In every case the paper will be sent until the returns of the election are received and published.

The North Carolina Press.

We see a statement in the New York *World* that "the Democratic press of Georgia, North Carolina, Maryland, Delaware and Louisiana, is for a straight Democratic ticket." This is a mistake so far as the North Carolina press concerned. There is not a paper in this State, so far as we know, that has declared for a straight Democratic ticket. Nearly all—indeed all, so far as we now recollect, with four exceptions—the *Wilmington Star*, the *Danbury Reporter*, the *Wadesboro Herald*, and the *Hillsboro Recorder*, the latter rather an independent than a Democratic-Conservative paper, are in favor of referring the matter to the decision of the Democratic National Convention, with a decided preference for GREELEY over GRANT.

The four referred to have raised the GREEN-EYED LIZZIE.

Now, as the English Government has contended all along that no nation could, under any circumstances, make such a claim against another nation, it is quite probable the Alabama difficulty is at an end.

Why there should be all this pomp and parade and formality in the preparation of a supplemental treaty in order to accomplish the back down, it is difficult to see. The whole thing is a square "back off," shameful and disgraceful.

The President and his administration stand convicted before the world of ignorance, imbecility and cowardice, but the peace of the country is preserved.

So that there is no justification in saying that the North Carolina Democratic press favor a straight Democratic ticket. On the contrary, there is not a Democratic paper in the State that will not give Mr. Greeley a warm support, if by doing so there is a good prospect of defeating General GRANT.

Beecher on Reconstruction.

Nothing has weighed more heavily upon the South since the war than the Government interference, by and under the Reconstruction and Ku-Klux Acts passed by the Radicals in Congress, and enforced by President-General Grant mercifully. The South, but for the plunder and oppression of the Radical hummers, who cried loudly while they robbed and bawled for protection to Union men while they plundered the South, would have made progress beyond conception in recuperating from the terrible prostration of unsuccessful war, and we may add, in establishing her own prosperity have contributed immensely to the strength and prosperity of the whole country, from her great and fertile resources. The sagacious men of the North of all parties and shades of political faith see and know this, and the politicians are beginning to feel that their political interests

LOCAL.

ADmirable Campaign Document.—The Wilmington Journal of the 14th instant, contains an able leaden of nearly four columns in length, giving an outline of the Kirk war upon the people of North Carolina in 1870, with the principal events that transpired during Governor Holden's administration.

This article would prove a powerful campaign document, and we would suggest to the State Executive Committee to take steps to have it printed in pamphlet form, and distributed over the State.

Mr. Englehard has done the people of North Carolina a real service by presenting, so succinctly and forcibly, the leading acts in that terrible drama enacted upon North Carolina soil, which has left an indelible stain upon the character of our State Government, and which will render infamous in history the wicked crusade against the liberty of the people. Give you a brief account of last night's proceedings:

The Convention met at 8 o'clock, Rev. R. Jones, of Virginia, conducting the religious exercises.

A discussion took place upon the investment of the funds, when it was resolved that they only be invested in public securities. Wilson, of Virginia, and Davis, of Kentucky, debated the matter.

Mobley was chosen as the place of holding the next Convention, and Thursday was set apart for second Tuesday in May was the time appointed.

The report of the Committee on Domestic Missions reiterates the importance of the education of the Indians, and provides measures for the erection of an orphan asylum and select schools among them. It also recommends the acceptance of a subsidy which will be granted by Congress for the proposed Red River, Fox, of Mo., and Rev. Mr. Wilson objected arguing that it was at variance with Baptist usage and principle.

The declaration was made good by re-mitting to the Sheriff of the State to open the polls, that the people's will might be ascertained on the question of Convention or no Convention. He discussed his disregard of law as shown in the appointment of directors for the charitable institutions of the State.

The molestation robbery of the State during Holden's administration was fully discussed. How and why it was done.

The infamous doings and proceedings of the Federal Government with regard to the Southern people politically is to let them alone. Disabilities should be swept away at a blow. There should be no more Federal interference with local affairs. Political salvation for the South can only come through a weak fight, or to surrender the slaves they have so long enjoyed without resorting to every possible device to avert doom impending over them.

But we care not with how much zeal, or with what desperation, they may fight. Their fate is fixed. Inevitable defeat awaits them.

And we allow to give in full this admirable document. We will endeavor to find room for extracts from it, from time to time.—*Raleigh News.*

VALUABLE CAMPAIGN DOCUMENT.—We find in the *Wilmington Journal* of Tuesday last, an able editorial of four columns in length, giving a succinct history of the Holden-Kirk war in this State together with other enormities of Holden's infamous administration, so warmly endorsed by the late Radical Convention.—This article should be read from every stump in the State, in order to let the people know what they may expect from the candidates of a Convention that endorsed such outrageous and atrocious villainies.—*Lumberton Robesonian.*

GEOPGRAPHICAL PUZZLE.—We find the following ingenious puzzle in an exchange and publish it here for the benefit of our juvenile friends:

I was awakened one morning by a Chinese man, whom I found to be the air was a country of South America. I wrapped myself in my cloak made of part of the Chinese empire, and lined with a cape in the southern part of the United States, and buried myself in a town of the Schenckville, until an island town of Labrador called me to breakfast.

The rules were suspended, when Mr. Lowe, of Louisiana, read his report of collections for liquidating the debts of the Sunday School Union motion, the Convention plied itself with fine speeches to it. Mr. Elliston, of Virginia, and Rev. U. Williams and, Curry favored it. The whole amount due by the Board was raised. Dr. Williams, of Maryland, submitted a report on "Bible Work," and recommended the organization in every church of Foreign Societies, to be composed of females. It was adopted. Dr. Calloway, of Georgia, introduced some resolutions of thanks to the people of Raleigh, the daily papers, to the various denominations of Christians who had tendered their houses of worship, and to others for favors rendered. It was voted to give a large sum of money to the Chinese.

The great islands of the Gulf of Mexico hung brightly on the earth, and another group of islands of Africa greeted me with a cheerful song.

Soon a lake of North America brought in breakfast, which consisted of an Asiatic country, and a river of British America, with a lake in the western part of South America, and a South American river in the eastern part of the same.

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